

Subject: Commercial Exterior Grant Request - 816 Dodd Rd.

Meeting Date: Monday, April 10th, 2023

Submitted/Presented by/Department: Ben Boike - Community Development

Action Type

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Consent Item | <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion/Direction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing | <input type="checkbox"/> Informational Only |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: Closed Session |

Action

Andrew Lehner, owner of the Lehner Law Office building at 816 Dodd Rd. (includes two rental apartments on the second floor), has submitted an application for the Commercial Exterior Grant program offered through the Economic Development Authority (EDA). Proposed improvements are listed below with more specifics on the work to be done included in the attachments.

- Replacement of exterior windows, rotting trim and fascia
- Replacement of exterior signage and lighting
- New exterior awnings
- New exterior paint (upper level)

This EDA grant money is available to encourage commercial property owners to re-invest in their properties and make improvements to their building, specifically the exterior. By doing so, this increases the esthetic and overall value of the property as well as the adjacent properties.

Selection and review criteria for this grant includes,

- Location within the City, i.e. preference to redevelopment area or heavily commercialized area with high visibility,
- Ability to encourage improvements to surrounding businesses,
- Ability to improve the appearance and attractiveness of an area,
- Consistency with Comprehensive and other long term planning documents,
- Compliance with City Codes, and
- Building owners who have not previously been awarded a grant will be considered prior those that have already received grant funding.

The total estimate for the proposed improvements is \$20,000. The work is scheduled to be completed by August 31, 2023. City Staff recommends the EDA review and approve of the exterior grant application for \$10,000.

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Payment to the applicant will be made upon the review and completion of the following,

- Inspection by City staff to verify completion of work and compliance with building and code regulations
- Submittal of paid invoices for the work outlined in the application. Should the total cost be below \$20,000, the payment will be prorated to a maximum of half the eligible costs.
- Verification of submittal and payment of all permits as well as a passing final inspection
- Confirmation that all property taxes are current.

Background

N/A

Attachments

- Grant Application/Quotes

Previous Relevant Actions

N/A

Alternatives

N/A

Financial

Budgeted: ☒ Yes

☐ No Financial Impact

Fund: EDA Fund

\$10,000

Department: 209

Account: 41121

Amount: 40495